

Intent to Sole Source

The Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC), Department of Medicine in accordance with §11-35-1560 (A) of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code, intends to award without competition, a sole source contract to The Jeff Cole Group LTD.

The Jeff Cole Group was included in the application budget/justification for a five year grant period under the University of South Carolina / Care Coordination Institute (USC/CCI) subcontract of the MUSC HRSA prime grant. In year one of the grant under USC/CCI Jeff Cole Group built an MUSC specific web site and data collection system for the 5 year duration of the project. Unexpectedly, the subcontract with USC/CCI ended after year 1 of the grant. The MUSC HRSA grant is now in its 3rd year and the web site and data collection system that were created by Jeff Cole Group are critical and necessary to the success of the ongoing project. Due to the integral involvement of JCG in Year 1 in the setup of the web site, training and improvement initiatives of this project, JCG has unique insight and experience that would take a substantial amount of time and investment (on behalf of MUSC and vendor) for any other vendor to obtain and implement. Procuring the services from another vendor would delay progress of the champions program and threaten our ability to meet our stated goals of the externally funded grant.

This notice of intent is not a request for competitive proposals. Any responsible sources who wish to identify their interest and capability to provide these services must notify the Procurement Officer at seabrokv@musc.edu no later than April 16, 2021, (12:00 a.m. EST). Telephone responses will not be accepted. Upon receipt of the interested parties' notification, the Procurement Officer will determine whether to conduct a competitive procurement or proceed with sole source negotiations.

PROTESTS (MAY 2019)

If you are aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest a solicitation, you must submit a protest within fifteen days of the date the applicable solicitation document is issued. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within five business days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date the award notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. See clause entitled "Protest-CPO". The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided. [02-2A085-2]

Any protest or notice of intent to protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Material Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us or (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201